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Kaua'i Energy Project, Located at Waimea, Kaua'i

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Dear Mr. Glenn:

With this letter we hereby transmit the Final Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact (FEA-FONSI) for the West Kaua'i Energy Project for publication in the next available edition of *The Environmental Notice*.

The first Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) was published in the August 23, 2021 edition of *The Environmental Notice* and the second Draft EA was published in the September 8, 2022 edition of *The Environmental Notice*. Comments received during both 30-day comment periods and the Applicant's responses are included in the FEA-FONSI. In accordance with the Board of Land Natural Resource's approval on September 25, 2015, Item D-17, authority was delegated to the Chairperson to approve an issue a FONSI. The FONSI was issued by the Chairperson on December 22, 2022.

The FEA-FONSI will be electronically via the "Submittal Form for HRS Chapter 343 Publications in the Periodic Bulletin" along with other required information pursuant to Hawai'i Administrative Rule §11-200.1-22(e).

If there are any questions, please contact Lauren Yasaka at (808) 587-0431 or via email at lauren.e.yasaka@hawaii.gov.

Sincerely,

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